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Secretary  
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Re: CS Docket No. 97-80

In the Matter of Tekstar Cablevision, Inc. ("Tekstar")

Petition for Deferral of Enforcement of July 1, 2007 Deadline in 47  
C.F.R. § 76.1204(a)(1)

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Tekstar we enclose the original signature to David A. Pratt's affidavit for the above-referenced Petition for Deferral of Enforcement of July 1, 2007 Deadline in 47 C.F.R. § 76.1204(a)(1). We filed the Petition on June 22, 2007.

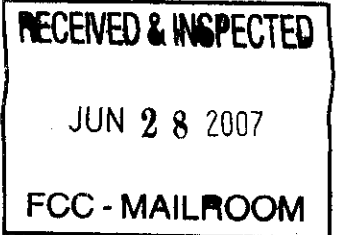
Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Megan M. Petrulis

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**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**



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Tekstar Cablevision, Inc.	)	CSR-_____
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76.1204(a)(1)	)	
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To: Chief, Media Bureau	)	
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**AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID A. PRATT**

I, David A. Pratt, make this affidavit based upon personal knowledge and a review of records, and can testify if necessary as to the truth of the matters asserted:

1. I am Director of Video for Tekstar Cablevision, Inc. d/b/a Arvig Communication Systems("Tekstar")
2. Tekstar provides cable television services to approximately 18,700 subscribers in rural Minnesota.
3. Following the July 1, 2007 integration ban, Tekstar plans to deploy the Motorola DCH200, Motorola DCH6200 and Motorola DCH6416 CableCARD-compatible set-top boxes.
4. On May 7, 2007 and May 30, 2007, Tekstar placed orders with the National Cable Television Cooperative for the following CableCARD-compatible set-top boxes:
  - 600 Motorola DCH200 set-top boxes
  - 48 Motorola DCH6200

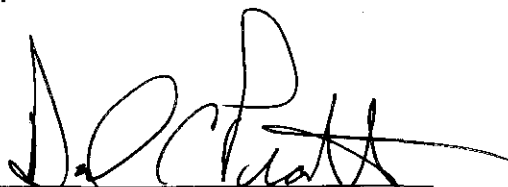
- 198 Motorola DCH6416 set-top boxes

("Compliant Set-Top Boxes"). In addition, Tekstar ordered 50 2-way CableCARDS.

5. The purchase orders for the Compliant Set-Top Boxes are attached as Attachment 1 to this Affidavit. The purchase orders are in the name of Tekstar's affiliate, East Otter Tail Telephone Company.
6. Given Tekstar's current digital set-top box deployment rate, Tekstar estimates that the Compliant Set-Top Boxes that it has ordered to date will be adequate to meet Tekstar's digital set-top box deployment needs for at least three months after receipt.
7. That said, the National Cable Television Cooperative has informed Tekstar that Motorola will not deliver the Compliant Set-Top Boxes by July 1, 2007.
8. The National Cable Television Cooperative has informed Tekstar that Motorola will not even ship the first 99 of the Motorola DCH-6416 Compliant Set-Top Boxes to Tekstar until June 30, 2007, and that it will not ship the remainder of the Compliant Set-Top Boxes to Tekstar until July 21, 2007. The email correspondence from the National Cable Television Cooperative confirming these shipment dates is attached as Attachment 2 to this Affidavit.
9. Given its current rate of deployment of new digital set-top boxes, Tekstar estimates that it will need to order and deploy the equivalent of approximately 300 Motorola DCT-2000, DCT-6200 and DCT-6400

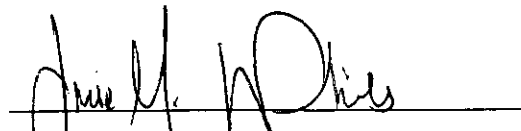
integrated set-top boxes per month if Tekstar is to continue deploying digital services to new and upgrading subscribers while it awaits delivery of the Compliant Set-Top Boxes.

10. If granted a deferral of enforcement of 47 C.F.R. § 76.1204(a)(1), Tekstar will order and deploy only enough Motorola DCT-2000, DCT-6200 and DCT-6400 integrated set-top boxes to meet its needs until Tekstar receives the Compliant Set-Top Boxes.



David A. Pratt, Director of Video  
Tekstar Cablevision, Inc.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of June, 2007.



Notary Public

